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Reminder Westbound I-55/64 to Tudor and Piggott ramp closure near Poplar Street begin March 1

COLLINSVILLE – The Illinois Department of Transportation is reminding the public that the ramp from westbound Interstate 55/64 to southbound Tudor and Piggott avenues will close for approximately two weeks, beginning Monday, March 1, weather permitting.

The closure is necessary to repair the expansion joints along the bridge span that carries the ramp at the Tudor and Piggott exit. The ramp to Illinois 3 will remain open.

The lane closures on eastbound I-55/64, which began Feb. 22, will remain, and the ramp from northbound Piggott Avenue to eastbound I-55/64 will remain closed.

The work is part of a larger \$29.8 million project, funded by Rebuild Illinois, to rehabilitate the bridges in this area. The overall project will require various lane closures, with updated information provided in advance of each new traffic configuration.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. To avoid the work area, when feasible, use of alternate routes should be considered. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to changing conditions and signs in the work zones. Obey the posted speed limits, refrain from using mobile devices and remain alert for workers and equipment.

Over the next six years, IDOT is planning to improve more than 3,300 miles of highway and 8.4 million square feet of bridge deck as part of the Rebuild Illinois capital program, which is investing in all modes of transportation. Year One included improvements statewide on 1,706 miles of highway, 128 bridges and 228 additional safety improvements.

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